(c) It is proposed to include:

| Section | Divisionfrom |
|---|---|
| Rangiya-Murkongsleek | Alipurduar |
| New Bongaigaon-Rangiya-Kamakhya | Alipurduar |
| Baliapara-Bhalukpong | Alipurduar |
| Rangapara-Tezpur | Alipurduar |
| New Bongaigaon-Jogighopa | Alipurduar |
| Jogighopa-Kamakhya | Newline |

(d) Yes, Sir.

**New Railway Projects in NER**

1810. SHRI ONWARD L. NONGTDU: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have approved some new railway projects in the country, particularly in the NER;

(b) if so, the details thereof, location-wise and railway-zone wise;

(c) the estimated cost of those projects, project-wise; and

(d) the action being taken by Government to implement the aforesaid projects?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI DIGVIJAY SINGH): (a) to (d) Details of new Railway projects sanctioned in current year's (1999-2000) Budget, including their location, cost and action taken by the Government are given in the Statement. (*See* below)

NER referred to in the question presumably means North Eastern Region. No new Railway project has been sanctioned in the North Eastern Region in the current year's (1999-2000) Budget.

**Statement**

**New Railway Projects included in 1999-2000 Budget**

| S. No. | Name of Project | Railway | State | Year of Approval | Cost (in Crores of Rs.) | Action Being Taken |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | **New Line** | | | | | |
| 1. | Agra-Etawah via Fatehabad and Bagh | Central | Uttar Pradesh | 1999-2000 | 108.00 | FLS for Bhandi end for 25 Kms has been completed. Preparation of plans and estimates has been taken up. |
| 2. | Kakinada-Pithapuram | South Central | Andhra Pradesh | 1999-2000 | 41.66 | Plan and estimate for the projects is under preparation. |
| | **Gauge Conversion** | | | | | |
| 1. | Kaptanganj-Thave-Sivan-Chapra | North Eastern | Bihar | 1999-2000 | 268.00 | The work will be taken up after necessary clearances have been obtained. |
| 2. | Cuddalore-Salem via Vriddhachalam | Southern | Tamil Nadu | 1999-2000 | 198.68 | The work would be taken up after obtaining the requisite clearances. |

| S. No. | Name of Project | Railway | State | Year of Approval | Cost (in Crores of Rs.) | Action Being Taken |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | **Doubling** | | | | | |
| 1. | Mathura-Bhuteshwar | Central | Uttar Pradesh | 1999-2000 | 4.13 | The detailed estimate has been sanctioned Tenders invited for earthwork. |
| 2. | Diva-Kalyan (5th & 6th Line) | Central | Maha-rashtra | 1999-2000 | 47.70 | Detailed planning has been taken up. |
| 3. | Punpun-Taregna (Patna-Gaya, Phase-III) | Eastern | Bihar | 1999-2000 | 42.35 | Preliminary arrangements are being made for taking up the work. |
| 4. | Karpurigram-Siho | North Eastern | Bihar | 1999-2000 | 32.67 | Preliminary arrangements are being made for starting the work. |
| 5. | Chapra-Hajipur | North Eastern | Bihar | 1999-2000 | 49.64 | The work will be taken up after obtaining the requisite clearances. |

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| 6. | Dayabasti-Grade Separator | Northern | Delhi | 1999-2000 | 25.48 | Estimate is being drawn up. |
| 7. | Amroha-Moradabad | Northern | Uttar Pradesh | 1999-2000 | 49.00 | Preparation of Plans and estimates is in progress. |
| 8. | Rajatgarh-Barang | South Eastern | Orissa | 1999-2000 | 166.16 | The work will be taken up after obtaining necessary clerances. |
| 9. | Attipattu-Korukkupettai | Southern | Tamil Nadu | 1999-2000 | 40.00 | Preparation of Plans and estimate is in progress. |
| 10. | Ernakulam-Ernakulam Marshelling Yard | Southern | Kerala | 1999-2000 | 3.16 | Preparation of Plans and estimate has been taken up. |
| | **Railway Electrification** | | | | | |
| 1. | Patna-Gaya | Eastern | Bihar | 1999-2000 | 36.80 | Requisite clearances are being obtained works will be taken up thereafter. |
| 2. | Mughalsarai-Zafrabad | Northern | Uttar Pradesh | 1999-2000 | 40.80 | Requisite clearances are being obtained works will be taken up thereafter. |

| S. No. | Name of Project | Railway | State | Year of Approval | Cost (in Crores of Rs.) | Action Being Taken |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 3. | Ernakulam-Trivandrum | Southern | Kerala | 1999-2000 | 157.68 | Requisite clearances are being obtained works will be taken up thereafter. |
| 4. | Tambaram-Chengalpattu-Villupuram & Chengalpattu-Arakkonam | Southern | Tamil Nadu | 1999-2000 | 34.20 | Detailed estimate has been sanctioned. |